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| PCT/EP2005/001990  | February 25, 2005   | March 17, 2004  |
| TITLE OF INVENTION   |   |   |
| OPTICAL FIBER PLUG CONNECTOR   |   |   |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US  |   |   |
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| Applicant herewith submits to the United States I  | Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the fo   | llowing items and other information:  |
| <ol> <li>[X] This express request to begin national exemination until the expiration of the a examination until the expiration of the a</li> <li>[ ] A proper Demand for International</li> <li>[X] A copy of the International Application a. [X] is transmitted herewith (require b. [X] has been transmitted by the International Application b. [X] has been transmitted by the International Application b. [X] has been transmitted by the International Application b. [X]</li> </ol> | ENT submission of items concerning a filing xamination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at a applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) a Preliminary Examination was made by the 19 as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) ed only if not transmitted by the International | any time rather than delay and PCT Articles 22 and 39(I).  Oth month from the earliest claimed priority date.  Bureau). |
|  | pplication into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))   |   |
| <ul><li>a. [ ] are transmitted herewith (</li><li>b. [ ] have been transmitted by</li></ul>  | ever, the time limit for making such amendme  | itional Bureau).  |
| 8. [ ] An English language translation of  | the amendments to the claims under PCT Art  | icle 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).  |
| 9. [X] An oath or declaration of the inventor(s)   | ) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).   |   |
| 10. [ ] An English language translation of (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).  | the annexes to the International Preliminary I  | Examination Report under PCT Article 36   |
| Items 11. to 20. below concern document(s) or 11. [X] An Information Disclosure Statement un   |   |   |
| 12. [ ] An assignment document for record  | ding. A separate cover sheet in compliance wi   | th 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.  |
| [X] A FIRST preliminary amendment.     [ ] A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT pre  | eliminary amendment.  |   |
| 14. [X] An Application Data Sheet under 37   | CFR 1.76.   |   |
| 15. [ ] A substitute specification.  |   |   |
| 16. [ ] A change of power of attorney and/   | or address letter.  |   |
| 17. [ ] A computer-readable form of the se   | equence listing in accordance with PCT Rule   | 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.  |
| 18. [ ] A second copy of the published Into  | ernational Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d  | 1)(4).  |
| 19. [ ] A second copy of the English langu   | age translation of the International Application  | on under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).   |
| 20. [X] Other items or information: Form 1449  |   |   |

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| BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a) (1)-(5)): [X] a) Basic National fee (37 CFR 1.492(a))   |                               |                |   |               | \$300.00                |            |  |
| [V] b) F  | - 6 (27 CED 1 402)            |                | <del>- 1- 1</del>                                       |               |                         |            |  |
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OPTICAL FIBER PLUG CONNECTOR

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- National Stage PCT Patent Application: Spec. 10 pgs; 14 claims; Abstract 0 pgs.

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- 2 sheets of formal drawings
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- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, 4 reference(s).
- Application Data Sheet, 4 pages.
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## **CLAIMS AS FILED**

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| Independent Claims            | 1   | 3            | 0     | 200.00 | = | 0.00   |
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